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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, this Information Disclosure Statement in connection with the above-identified application is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d).

The documents identified on Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B were cited in an Office Action issued in corresponding Japanese Application No. 2000-559535. Document A relates to a system and method for reading package information. Document B relates to a three dimensional electronic game. Document C relates to storing, retrieving and automatically printing postage on mail. Document D relates to printable coplanar laminates and method of making same. Document E is a copy of the first Japanese Office Action, mailed July 15, 2004 in corresponding Japanese Application No. 2000-559535. Document F is an English translation of Document E.

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